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In re Application of: Gruening, et al.
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For: ANTI-INFECTION HYDROGEL
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Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.

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- A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Applicants respectfully submit the following Preliminary Amendment for entry in the above-identified application prior to examination.

Amendments to the Specification: None.

Amendments to the Abstract: None.

Amendments to the Claims: Begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendment to the Drawings: None.

Remarks/Comments: Begin on page 7 of this paper.